

REMARKS

Applicants have amended claim 11 to rectify a minor deficiency. **The amendment should be entered as it raises no new issues that will require further consideration or search and also does not touch the merits of the application within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. § 1.116(b).**

Claims 1-16 are now pending. Applicants request that the Examiner reconsider this application, as amended, in view of the remarks below.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph

The Examiner rejects claim 11 for indefiniteness. More specifically, he points out that definitions of R' and R" are recited in this claim, yet no corresponding variables are shown in Formula 3. Applicants have deleted the definitions of both R' and R" from this claim.

Allowed claims

The Examiner indicates in the "Disposition of Claims" section of the final Office Action that claims 1-10 and 12-16 are allowed. See page 1. On the other hand, he asserts in the "Detailed Action" section of the final Office Action that "[c]laims 3-6 and 9 and 10 are allowed." See page 2, line 15. As there is no discussion of claims 1, 2, 7, 8, and 12-16 in the "Detailed Action" section, the Examiner clearly inadvertently left out these claims in the latter statement.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above remarks, claims 1-16, as pending, are all in condition for allowance.

Applicants submit that the ground for rejection asserted by the Examiner has been overcome, and that the claims 1-16, as pending, are all in condition for allowance. Applicants therefore request that the Examiner promptly allow this application.

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed. However, the absence of a reply to a specific rejection, issue or comment does not signify agreement

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with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above may not be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

Please apply any other charges to deposit account 06-1050, referencing to Attorney's Docket No. 66302-005US1.

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